

Media Release

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Recent Incidents Overview

Wrong Way DUI Driver Arrested -

On November 15, 2015, at approximately 11 PM, a YCSO deputy arrested 45-year-old Chris Stuart Harper for extreme DUI. The deputy stopped Harper for driving the wrong way and directly towards his police vehicle on Glassford Hill Road and Centre Court, Prescott Valley. The deputy learned Harper had apparently turned out of the Buffalo Wild Wings restaurant parking lot heading the wrong way on Glassford Hill. Harper admitted consuming a six pack of beer at the restaurant and indicated he was driving back to a nearby hotel. Based on field sobriety tests, the deputy determined Harper was DUI. Harper later submitted to a breath test which produced results of .25/.24 - more than 3 times the legal limit.

Harper was subsequently booked on four counts of DUI including Extreme DUI and DUI exceeding .20 or more. He has been released pending court proceedings. Harper is a police Sergeant, off duty at the time, working for an Arizona tribal police agency.



Harper

Friday the 13th Rescue – Our busy volunteers to the Rescue again

A scary evening ended happily for two women, lost in the Granite Mountain Basin, who were rescued Friday evening. The 74 and 50 year-old women, both from Prescott Valley, started their hike Friday morning and were reported overdue by family members Friday night. Their hiking destination was known as **only** Mingus Mountain or Granite Mountain.

An alert Sheriff's Deputy spotted their vehicle at the Little Granite Mountain trailhead, along Iron Springs Road. The Yavapai County Search and Rescue Team (YCSRT) Backcountry Unit, was activated at 7:30pm, and dispatched to various locations around the Granite Basin trail system. **The lost pair had a cell phone, but the battery died during the search eliminating a point of contact and the ability to obtain GPS coordinates.**

At approximately 9:30pm, the two women, who were calling out for assistance, were found on Trail 261. They were in good condition and escorted to safety.

Our Search and Rescue professionals recommend that you:

- **Always let others know your hiking destination, route, and time expected back.**
- Don't deviate from your plans.
- Know your route. Carry maps, GPS devices and a working cell phone **with an extra fully charged battery or back-up power source.**
- Plan, and be prepared, for unexpected events.

Citizens can contact the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office with information or questions at 928-771-3260 or the YCSO website:
www.ycsoaz.gov